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BERLIN AND GERMANY -- BERLIN PASSAGE OF NATO
COMMUNIQUE AND BERLIN/EC PAPER

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1. AT THE MAY 20 BONN GROUP MEETING, THE FRG REP SAID
THE FOREIGN MINISTER INSISTED ON REVISIONS TO THE DRAFT
COMMUNIQUE. SINCE THIS IS A PUBLIC DOCUMENT, THE FRG
CONSIDERS IT NECESSARY TO INCLUDE REFERENCES TO THE
DIFFICULTIES CONCERNING BERLIN IF POSITIVE ASPECTS ARE
ALSO TO BE ADDRESSED. IT WAS THEREFORE AGREED AD REF
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TO REDRAFT THE COMMUNIQUE SLIGHTLY AS FOLLOWS TO
RESPOND TO THIS CONCERN.

2. THE REVISED TEXT IS AS FOLLOWS:

THE PARTNERS OF THE ALLIANCE REVIEWED THE DEVELOPMENTS
CONCERNING BERLIN AND GERMANY AS A WHOLE. THEY NOTED

THAT SINCE THEIR LAST MEETING IN DECEMBER 1977, WHILE THERE WAS RELATIVE CALM IN AND AROUND BERLIN AND NO MAJOR DISTURBANCE, THE BERLIN SITUATION AS A WHOLE REMAINED UNCHANGED. THEY REAFFIRMED THE PREVIOUSLY STATED POSITIONS OF THE ALLIANCE, PARTICULARLY THE CONVICTION THAT THE STRICT OBSERVANCE AND FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF ALL PROVISIONS OF THE QUADRIPARTITE AGREEMENT OF 3 SEPTEMBER 1971 ARE ESSENTIAL FOR THE PROMOTION OF DETENTE, THE MAINTENANCE OF SECURITY AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF COOPERATION THROUGHOUT EUROPE.

3. AT THE SAME MEETING, THE FRG, US AND UK REPS REPORTED APPROVAL OF THE BERLIN/EC PAPER. THE FRENCH REP SAID THE QUAI WOULD PREFER THAT PARAGRAPH 3 OF THE PAPER BE REVISED SLIGHTLY TO DELETE THE REFERENCE TO THE DATE THAT THE SECOND PAPER WAS PRESENTED. THE US REP NOTED THAT SINCE THE PURPOSE OF THE REFERENCE WAS TO EXPLAIN TO CAPITALS WHY THE BONN GROUP HAD NOT MOVED FORWARD WITH THE BERLIN/EC STUDY SINCE THE LAST QUADRIPARTITE MEETING, EACH OF US COULD EXPLAIN THE SAME THING IN SEPARATE MESSAGES AND THERE SEEMED TO BE NO NEED TO INCLUDE THE STATEMENT IN THE BERLIN/EC PAPER ITSELF. UNLESS THE DEPARTMENT INSTRUCTS TO THE CONTRARY, WE WILL AGREE TO A MINOR CHANGE ALONG THE LINE SOUGHT BY THE QUAI WITHOUT SEEKING FORMAL INSTRUCTIONS BUT WILL REPORT ANY CHANGES TO THE TEXT.

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4. ACTION REQUESTED: APPROVAL OF TEXT IN PARA 2, SUPRA.

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